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It's an Italian job for actor Ian McKellen as he hits the stage once again

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TOGETHER: The home of Mr and Mrs Cowley in Kinross Close

Husband and wife lay dead next to each other inside their home

A LOVING couple tragically died a week before their 44th wedding anniversary, an inquest heard yesterday.

Michael Cowley, 68, and Mary Cowley, 67, both formerly of Kinross Close, Northampton, were found dead, lying in their bed.

They were discovered on March 4 this year by PC Edward Horsburgh after he had to force entry into their home.

When he went upstairs and entered the bedroom he noticed Mr Cowley on the bed but initially did not see Mrs Cowley who was under the covers.

He said he saw a blood stained knife and Mr Cowley had superficial cuts which he thought were self-inflicted.

In her evidence Mrs Cowley's sister Joan Wright told the court how the couple, who had no children, were married on March 11, 1967, at St James Church.

She regularly kept in touch with her sister, meeting every Sunday night until Christmas 2010. It was around this time Mrs Cowley discovered she had colon cancer.

Ms Wright found out about her sister's death when she received a phone call from the police asking if she knew Mr and Mrs Cowley.

Dr Molyneux from Northampton General Hospital who carried out the postmortem gave the cause of death of Mr Cowley as pulmonary infraction and pulmonary thromboembolism.

He gave the cause of death of Mrs Cowley as acute myocardial insufficiency, hypertensive heart disease and chemotherapy for adenocarcinoma of colon.

Coroner Anne Pember said both deaths were due to natural causes.

£551k spent on four top council staff

BY HAZEL SLADE
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MORE than half a million pounds of taxpayers' money is spent each year on just four top staff members' salaries at Northamptonshire County Council.

And the cash-strapped authority – which needs to save £137 million over four years – forked out a further £13,703.716 in expenses in the last two years for the four senior officers.

The figures, released online by the council as part of the national open data scheme, show that top earner chief executive Paul Blantern is taking home £161,289 annually.

Not far behind him are Tony Ciaburro, director of environment, development and transport and Charlie MacNally, director of adult and children's services, who each pocket £132,648 every year.

And Alex Hopkin, director of customers, communities and learning, takes home an annual salary of £124,632. And while Mr Blantern takes home the very lowest end of his salary bracket, the other three authority bosses are being given the highest amount available for their roles.

All four salaries add up to a total of £551,217 each year.

A spokesman for Northamptonshire County Council explained the team are responsible for an annual expenditure budget of £1 billion and a staff of 17,000.

He said: "Our salaries reflect the responsibilities associated with the posts while being mindful of the necessity of providing value for money.

"Earlier this year, we introduced a new structure which saw a reduction in the number of directors as well as a smaller

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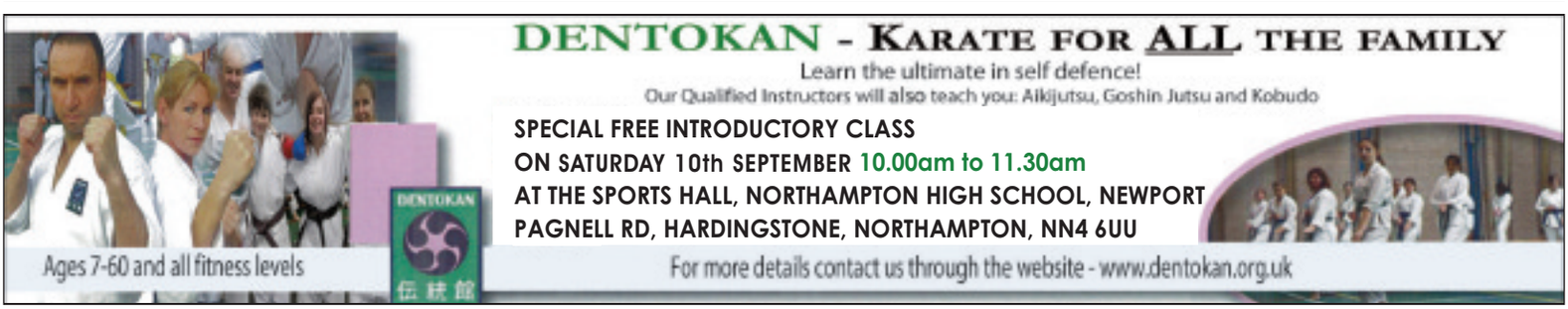
HIGH EARNERS: The county council's County Hall building



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Depressed dad never got over death of his father

BY LAWRENCE JOHN
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A CORONER'S court held in Northampton yesterday heard the tragic story of how a father of two hanged himself.

Ronald Fagan, 48, formerly of Watling Street, Towcester, was found hanging on Saturday, October 30 at around 7.20am in South View, Kislingbury, by dog walker Richard Howey.

Initially, Mr Howey thought he saw a silhouette hanging behind some bushes and thought it was something to do with Halloween or Guy Fawkes' night.

When he took a closer look he saw it was a man and immediately called the police and an ambulance.

Paramedics were on the scene as quickly as possible but it was clear when they arrived that Mr Fagan was dead.

The inquest heard how Mr Fagan had left Berrywood Hospital at 5.45pm on Friday, October 29.

He said he was going out for a 30 minute walk, which he was entitled to, but he made his way to the field.

There he phoned staff at 6.20pm to tell them he was in the middle of field with a rope and he was going to kill himself.

Roslyn Chamberlain-Jones, who took the call, tried to persuade him to come back.

She told him if he could see lights from the houses to head towards them and if he could see a sign to tell them and they would come and fetch him. This is when the call ended.

Ronald Fagan

The inquest heard how Mr Fagan had tried to take his own life on two previous occasions in the two weeks before his death.

The first incident happened on October 17 when he was discovered by a member of the public in a car, parked in a lay-by, after he had taken a quantity of Temazepam tablets.

A suicide note was found in the car stating he wanted to end his life.

Four days later, he was sectioned under the mental health act at Berrywood Hospital in Northampton.

On October 23 Dr Brian Timmins took Mr Fagan off the section order and he became an informal patient.

The following day on October 24 he left the hospital for three hours.

He was found by police on a bridge over the M1 near Kislingbury where he was threatening to jump in to the path of oncoming cars. Police were called and the motorway was closed.

Mr Fagan was persuaded not to jump and was taken back to the hospital.

The inquest heard Mr Fagan had been treated at Berrywood in 2005 and 2007.

When giving his evidence, Dr Timmins explained Mr Fagan suffered from a severe depressive illness.

He said Mr Fagan heard voices which told him to end his life but this came from his drinking.

He told the inquest one of the factors which made Mr Fagan depressed was the death of his father 38 years ago.

He was ten years old and had an argument with his father as he did not want to go to bed early.

His father then suffered a heart attack and died and Mr Fagan never forgave himself.

Dr Timmins added Mr Fagan also struggled to get over his poor childhood in Southern Ireland.

Recording her verdict the coroner Anne Pember said: "He killed himself whilst the balance of his mind was disturbed."

His wife Dianne Fagan said: "Ron meant the world to us.

"Although he had a long history of depression, he always tried to live a full life. His death has had a devastating effect on the entire family, especially our two children Alex, 19, and Charlotte, 18, who miss him so much.

"Ron was well known locally and played a big part in our community."

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Skate plan is unveiled

A SITE has been earmarked for a new skatepark in Northampton.

Northampton Borough Council's cabinet will consider the proposal to create the £250,000 facility on land it owns off Bedford Road at Midsummer Meadow when it meets next Wednesday.

A number of locations across the town have been under consideration as potential sites.

Matters such as proximity to the town centre, the level of support for the project from local groups and potential users, crime and safety issues and the likely availability of funding from other bodies were all evaluated.

As a result of this and further feedback, Midsummer Meadow is now being put to the cabinet as the recommended site.

The council has already committed to funding the skatepark from this year's capital programme but if the cabinet approves the location, it will be a key step forward and will support the Skatepark Action Group in bidding for additional funding.

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Dalmatian bites dog walker on the leg

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The victim was approached by two other dog walkers when one of their dogs, which was on a lead, lunged at her dog.

In restraining her own dog, the other dog being walked, the Dalmatian, bit the woman, causing two deep puncture wounds to her upper leg.

The field is used by dog walkers and has a public right of way running round its perimeter.

Anyone with information, should call police on 03000 111 222 or Crimestoppers, anonymously, on 0800 555 111.

MP welcomes court filming

BY HAZEL SLADE
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A FORMER barrister turned MP has praised a national decision to lift the ban on filming in law courts.

Michael Ellis, MP for Northampton North, welcomed the overturning of the long-standing restriction on broadcasting in court by Justice Secretary Kenneth Clarke on Tuesday.

Broadcasters nationwide will now be allowed to film judgements in England and Wales in a bid to improve public understanding of the justice system.

Mr Ellis, who worked as a barrister until just under a year ago, said: "I'm very supportive of this. There's an age old saying that justice must not only be done but it must be seen to be done.

"The public have always been allowed access to the courts in the public gallery but allowing cameras to access the sentencing process will make it far more transparent."

Broadcasting will initially be allowed from the Court of Appeal and will expand to the Crown Court in future.

The permitted filming will only be of judges' summary remarks at the end of a trial - victims, witnesses, offenders and jurors will not be filmed.

Mr Ellis added: "It's right to start these things one step at a time.

"The Court of Appeal will still be of great interest to the public. I think it will be very popular.

"The passing of the sentence normally only takes a few minutes. But that can still be a good thing. It is better than no camera at all.

"The judges will have an opportunity to say why they are passing the sentence. I think it will encourage judges to be more vocal.

"Once the curtain has lifted it's likely that other steps will follow. I think there's room for further expansion. But you would need barristers' consent to film them.

"This is quite a big step for this traditional profession."

Filming in English courts has been banned since 1925. Cameras have been allowed in Scotland's courts since 1992 but only if all parties involved have given their consent.

In addition to allowing broadcasting, Mr Clarke announced that an unprecedented level of information about the performance of courts will be published in the future to allow the public to see how their local courts are working.

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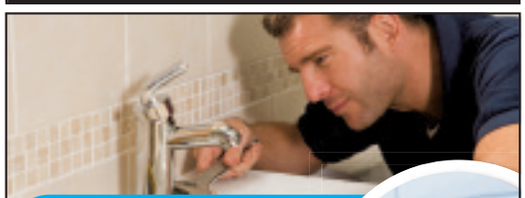

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People have a right to feel safe in their homes

WE all know Northamptonshire Police have to save money and the Government cuts are hitting everywhere. But why does our police service seem to be so hard hit?

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I know that budgets can't be formulated solely on 'what ifs' but that has to be considered in this situation as police have to prepare for any kind of scenario.

We don't want Northamptonshire to be the poor relation.

I'm sure some will argue there's more a fear of crime than there is of actual crime in the county.

So are we saying it's okay to live in a day and age where people are frightened of being a victim of crime or are too afraid to go outside on their own, particularly at night, even more so now so many of the county's street lights have been switched off? Although that's a different subject it is completely relevant to this as people are told when walking late at night or in the dark hours to use well-lit streets. Where will they be now? I'd certainly like them pointing out.

People have the right to feel safe in their homes and neighbourhoods, free from living in fear and protected by a police force which is well resourced and well prepared to deal with any incident should it arise.

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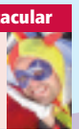

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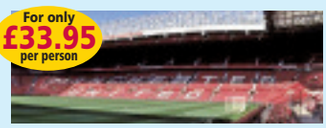

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I now realise how little light there is when I return home of an evening, it's quite unsettling.

And looking around, it does seem that the choice of lights was completely random.

Near me there are lights out near a alleyway, either side of a junction and then a section of lights, rather than every other one which would have reduced how dark it now is.

P Matthews
Northampton

Join our group of fundraising supporters

I AM writing to call on readers to join the Northampton Fundraising Group for Marie Curie Cancer Care which is looking for new members.

Group members can make an enormous difference locally by helping to raise the vital funds needed to support Marie Curie Nurses, who provide free care to people with terminal cancer and other illnesses in their own homes.

The Northampton Fundraising Group promotes fundraising within the community by organising fundraising activities and collections, encouraging new volunteers to help the charity, as well as supporting Marie Curie's major fundraising campaigns such as the Great Daffodil Appeal and Blooming Great Tea Party.

To join your volunteer fundraising group for Marie Curie Cancer Care, or to find out more about the group and other ways to support the charity, please call me on 01604 442315 or email sally.veness@mariecurie.org.uk

Sally Veness
Marie Curie Community Fundraiser for Northamptonshire, Leicestershire & Rutland

Let's put an end to animal experiments

SOME medical research charities that conduct appallingly cruel animal experiments are receiving millions of pounds every year in donations from the public.

This is despite the fact that a new NOP opinion poll shows that 82 per cent of people would not knowingly give to a medical research or health charity that funds animal research. How can this be?

The only answer is that the public is being kept in the dark about the nature of the research these charities are funding.

Animal Aid's recent campaign, at the heart of which is a scientific report, Victims of Charity, reveals that charity-funded researchers have deliberately damaged monkeys' brains with toxic chemicals, slowly and systematically destroyed the hearts of dogs and injected mice with cancerous tissue.

The report's authors conclude that laboratory experiments on animals produce information that cannot be reliably applied to human medicine – and can even be dangerously misleading.

Animal Aid is urging people to boycott all charities that conduct or fund cruel and unreliable animal research.

Readers can contact Animal Aid for a free list of charities and their vivisection policies at info@animalaid. org.uk or on 01732 364546.

Andrew Tyler
Director, Animal Aid

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Council defends salary payments to top bosses

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senior management tier and that's expected to bring a saving of half a million pounds.

"That's in addition to a saving of £1.8 million as a result of our effective leadership review two years ago whereby we reduced the salary bands of all senior management roles. Our pay policy is now aligned to the equivalent public sector benchmarks and not the private sector."

Neighbouring authority Bedford Borough Council pay similar amounts for their leading officers, with chief executive Philip Simpkins raking in £170,000 a year and the four directors taking home between 123k and £138k.

And Central Bedfordshire Council pay chief executive Richard Carr £185,000 annually and three directors between £123k and £143k.

Paying out to take fly-tipping action

BY HAZEL SLADE
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NORTHAMPTON Borough Council forked out almost half a million pounds on clearing up and fining people for dumping rubbish last year.

Figures released by the Countryside Alliance show that from April 2010 to March 2011 there were 7,230 reported cases of fly-tipping in Northampton, putting it in the top ten per cent of highest cases out of more than 300 authorities across the country.

The council spent £319,199 clearing up the items which were thrown away around the borough.

From this the authority took enforcement action 3,732 times at a cost of £138,681 to the taxpayers.

Out of these there were 18 successful prosecutions for illegal fly-tipping.

Cllr John Yates, portfolio holder for planning and the environment, said: "There is no excuse for littering or fly-tipping.

"It is an absolute disgrace for civilised people to be so dirty. The council takes it very seriously and as such we will be trying to prosecute as many people as we can.

"We have a duty to keep the place clean and tidy but the ironic thing is it is the taxpayers who then have to pay for it, ultimately."

In the report, the largest number of cases was in the London Borough of Newham where 38,746 dumps were reported in 12 months, although the cost was not given.

The London Borough of Lewisham came in second with 38,450 cases, costing £1,324,548.154 to clear up and third was Hammersmith and Fulham with 30,894 reports, costing £195,267 to sort out.

Alice Barnard, chief executive of the Countryside Alliance, said: "Fly-tipping is a crime that perpetrators can get away with.

"We need a coordinated plan which ensures people who fly-tip are caught and punished and provides greater support to local authorities and landowners who bear the brunt of the cost of clearing up the mess.

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TalkingPoint

This week's guest columnist is Cllr Brendan Glynane, Lib Dem opposition leader at Northamptonshire County Council

Let's make NHS plans work for people using it

NEARLY six months ago I wrote about the NHS Health and Social Care Bill currently going through Parliament and the rebellion against the Coalition Government proposal to reorganise the NHS which took place at the Lib Dem conference held in Sheffield in March of this year.

At that time Liberal Democrat campaigners spoke up and spoke out against the proposals in the Bill calling them "damaging and unjustified" voting against the reforms in a number of key areas.

Liberal Democrats voted almost unanimously at that conference in Sheffield to give councillors a central role in GP commissioning and in scrutinising foundation trusts.

They called for a ban on all cherry-picking by private companies offering treatment services.

The Deputy Prime Minister Nick Clegg stated in his speech at the conference, that he is totally opposed to the privatisation of health and an undue emphasis on competition.

A week later, at a meeting with the Prime Minister David Cameron, Mr Clegg outlined the concerns raised and debated at conference with the PM that major changes were needed to clarify and amend the Health and Social Care Bill in order to reassure people.

The point was also made that Liberal Democrats had a clear mandate to argue for changes to the Bill which is unpopular, little understood and seen as the sort of top-down reorganisation the Coalition had vowed not to enforce.

The Government acted and listened, spending three months asking doctors and patients for suggested changes.

Plans to make GPs responsible for commissioning health services could now slip past the current 2013 deadline. Private firms will be banned from 'cherry picking' the most lucrative parts of the NHS.

The Bill will spell out that every GP doesn't have to take on responsibilities but can leave it to others in their area.

The new NHS regulator will prioritise value for money, rather than promoting the free market in health services.

Councillors will sit on the GP consortia which will run the health service, giving local democratic accountability.

The debate over NHS reforms has shown that Liberal Democrats in Coalition have a very distinctive voice and a different view about what changes there should be, that they will fight and fight again to protect the people's interest in our beloved NHS.

The battle within the Coalition continues this week with the Bill being debated in the House of Commons and then the House of Lords.

Mr Clegg said: "This debate is not a football match, we are not about to defeat our coalition partners, we are here to put together sensible propositions through an open process of Government framework in which you listen to the public, you listen to the professionals and you arrive at the right conclusion."

In Sheffield, the City of Steel, six months ago, the Coalitions Plans for the NHS were tempered, a Liberal Democrat moderating element was demonstrated, forged and hardened, may it go from strength to strength.

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Hospital's £150k service gets chop

BY HAZEL SLADE
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A HOSPITAL is axing a service that helps patients deal with psychological problems relating to their illness in a bid to save almost £150,000 every year.

In just over a month Northampton General Hospital will cease to be the provider of the county's clinical health psychology services as part of the hospital's plan to save £30 million over the next two years.

From October 21 this year the medical facility will no longer have this service for patients, resulting in the loss of four jobs – two clinical psychologists and two secretaries.

However, the help will still be provided by NHS Northamptonshire at current community providers of psychological treatment.

Patients who have been experiencing psychological problems related to their injury, illness or long-term condition have

been contacted and advised how their future care can be coordinated.

This is to ensure that all patients remain supported and that they have continuity of care.

Christine Allen, director of operations, said: "The health psychology service is one of many we have been reviewing as part of the hospital's transformation programme, with the aim of refocusing the services we provide.

"This particular service is one that has been provided by Northampton General Hospital for a number of years but is one that is not traditionally offered by acute hospitals. The service is not commissioned or part of the contract that the trust has with NHS Northamptonshire.

"Following a consultation which began in May with affected staff, trust consultants and the primary care trust, it has been agreed that the service at Northampton General Hospital should cease on October 21."

Closing the department will produce savings for Northampton General Hospital of £147,245 per year, and the small number of staff affected are all fully aware of the plans.

A spokesman for NHS Milton Keynes and NHS Northamptonshire primary care trust cluster said: "We continue to commission a range of psychology services from primary mental health providers such as Changing Minds as well as secondary mental health provision from the Northamptonshire Healthcare Foundation Trust which provides the majority of mental health services in the county."

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Group sees light over safety fears

BY LAWRENCE JOHN
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A RESIDENTS' Association has produced a dossier pin-pointing what streetlights it believes should be turned back on.

Spencer Dallington Residents' Association has compiled the document stating which lights are of a particular concern such as those in alleyways or near elderly residential areas.

Northamptonshire County Council recently finished switching off roughly half the street lights in the county as part of its strategy to save £2 million.

As a result of this, the Association has produced the report calling on the authority to turn the lights back on which it believes would help public safety.

Cllr Gareth Eales, who formed and now attends Spencer Dallington Residents' Association, said: "Whilst ideally all the streetlights should be turned back on, the Spencer Dallington Residents' Association has tried to be constructive in their feedback to Northamptonshire County Council.

SWITCHED ON: Cllr Gareth Eales

"They point out which particular turned off streetlights are a problem from a public safety point of view and they certainly don't name all of them.

"It is all about what is reasonable and practical but there should be some sacred areas where lights weren't even considered to be switched off, such as sheltered housing.

"The elderly and vulnerable in our communities are the ones that need to be protected the most and by putting them at risk is wrong.

"The residents' associations alongside myself and others have done a serious piece of work and I now hope the Tories on NCC listen to them".

■ What do you think? How are you finding it now the lights are out? Are there ones you think should go back on? Write to us at letters@HPnorthants.co.uk or the address on the letters page.

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Lib Dem Lords leader Tom drops by

ONE of the political big guns from the House of Lords spent time listening to the issues affecting Towcester.

Lord Tom McNally, leader of the Liberal Democrats in the Lords and also Minister for Justice, visited the south of the county last week.

Lord McNally visited Silverstone with parliamentary spokesman for Liberal Democrats in South Northants and Towcester Councillor Scott Collins.

They met the managing director of Silverstone Richard Philips for a tour of the circuit's estates including the new 'Wing'.

Lord McNally said "This is a really impressive building and the plans for the circuit really show a bright future and promise.

"Silverstone is one of the country's quiet successes and I've been really impressed with what I've seen."

Next, Lord McNally met chief inspector Mark Taylor, the police area commander for South Northants and Daventry, and Inspector Alex Terry at Towcester Police Station.

The topics covered ranged from general issues concerning policing and the justice system to local issues such as the lights switch off, turning off speed cameras and agricultural crime.

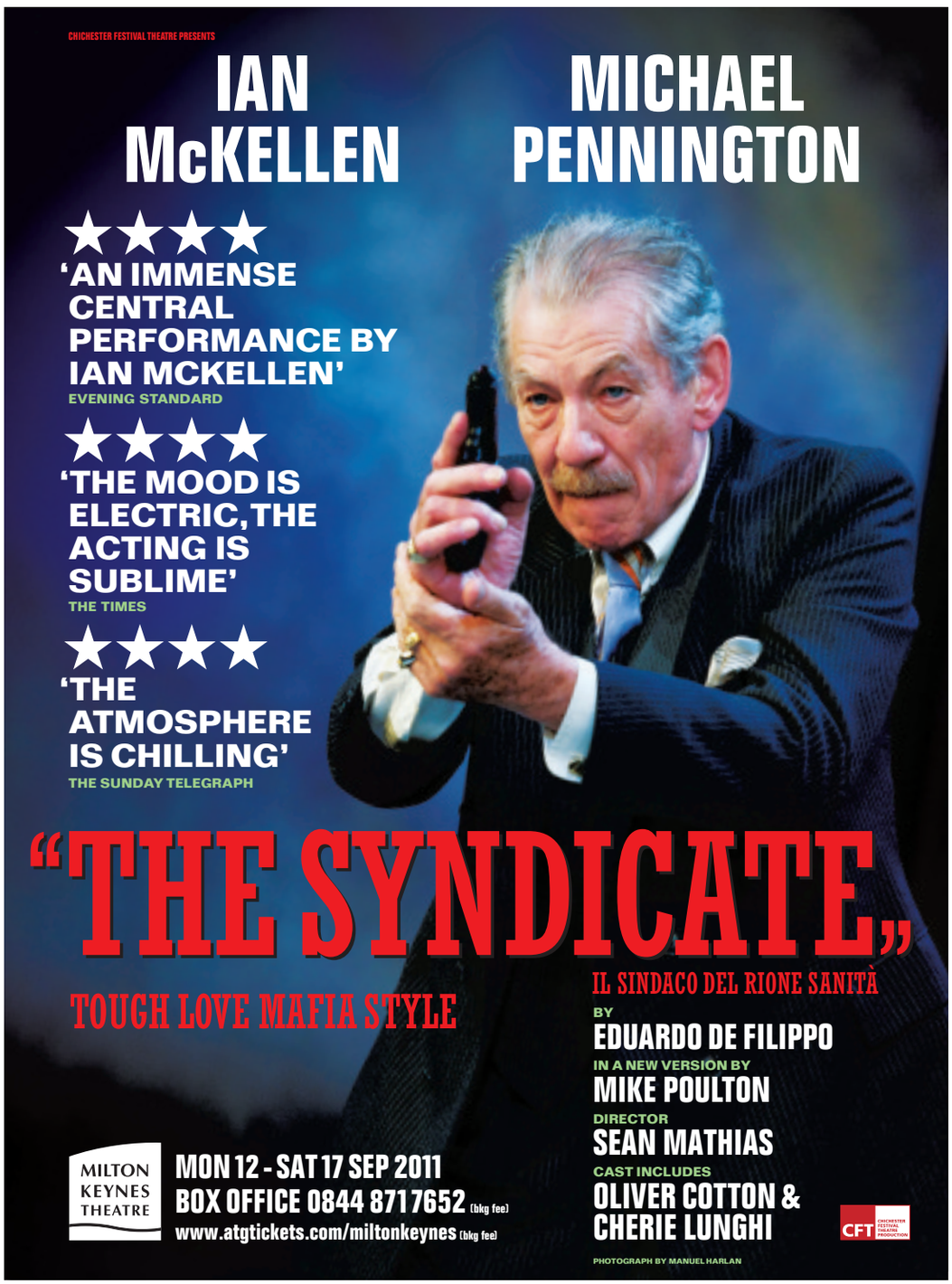
Lord McNally said: "I make a point of visiting local police whereever I go. It was good to hear about local concerns that the police have and how local issues are being resolved outside the 'Westminster Bubble' in the real world."

Cllr Martin Johns, who he also met, added: "We have a good relationship with the police locally but it was good to hear their views on a whole range of issues."

The final stop of the afternoon was to meet members and organisers of the Vision Youth Café based in the Community Centre on Islington Road, Towcester.

The guests were shown the work that the facility does in helping young people in a variety of ways from educational work concerning all manner of issues from alcohol and drug misuse to budgeting and sexual health matters.

LOOK WHO'S IN TOWN: Lord Tom McNally at the Vision Youth Café and inset, Lord McNally, left, with Cllr Martin Johns



'HELPFUL' CROOKS: The stolen vehicle

Mum-to-be left by road as thieves snatch car

BY LAWRENCE JOHN
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A YOUNG pregnant woman was left stranded by the side of the road after 'a good Samaritan' stole her car.

Charlotte Baker, who is nine months pregnant, saw her vehicle disappear when a man she thought was helping change her flat tyre instead jumped into her blue Porsche 911 and drove off.

Miss Baker, 28, stopped by the side of the road when she realised one of the rear tyres of her partner's sports car was flat.

She was waiting for help when two men in a white transit van stopped and changed the tyre for her.

He then put the flat tyre, which was still attached to the alloy wheel, in the back of the van before jumping into the driver's seat of the Porsche and driving off in her car.

The victim was stranded for some time until an elderly man offered her a lift home.

The driver of the transit van is described as being aged 40 to 50, overweight, with curly unkempt hair and was smoking a cigarette.

The passenger, who changed the tyre, is described as being clean shaven, aged between 30 and 40, with a tanned complexion. He was wearing stone washed jeans and a beige checked shirt.

Miss Baker said: "I am angry but I have got over my shock.

"I am disgusted that someone would prey on a young, heavily pregnant woman.

"They had the bare faced cheek to pretend they were helping out of an act of kindness but playing me the whole of the time.

"The man who helped me was chatty and I had no reason to be suspicious. I would certainly recognise him again.

"I have grown up in a rural area and that is probably why part of me is so trusting.

"I did not think it would happen at all. I am left as a victim of crime."

The theft happened on the road between Byfield and Boddington, near Daventry, between 10.30am and 11.30am on Wednesday, August 31.

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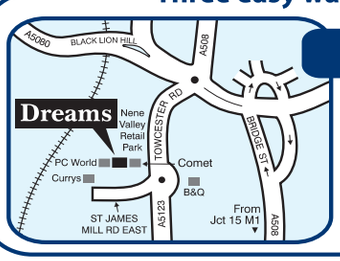

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MEETING HIS FANS: Peter Andre with Ronnie Mason and left, Ronnie at the start of the queue with his mum

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The Mysterious Girl singer appeared at WHSmith in thecentre:mk for the signing after the release of his new books, The Happy Birthday Party and A New Day at School, ***pictured right***.

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WHSmith store manager Neil Storey said: "It was fantastic and went really well.

"We sold out of books - it was really popular and the publishers were happy. There were people queuing here from around 7am and there were loads of people, a real mix - there were women with their kids and people of different ages."

Library plan to help cut budget

BY LAWRENCE JOHN
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THE future of libraries across Northamptonshire is back in the spotlight with aims to reduce costs by up to 50 per cent.

During the past few months, Northamptonshire County Council has been speaking with key groups and organisations already involved with libraries such as friends groups and district, borough, parish and town councils to get their feedback about how the service can be developed despite the ongoing financial challenges.

The consultation is based around five key themes aiming to make libraries more self-supporting over the next four years

These are:

- Jobs and prosperity centres
- Community hubs
- Helping people to help each other
- Maximising community contributions
- Transforming libraries

Cabinet member for customer services, Cllr Heather Smith, said: "The difficult financial challenges we are facing mean we need to find a realistic way to achieve this as we simply cannot afford to continue to completely fund the library service ourselves.

"We have already talked to our partners in other councils, not to mention our growing numbers of friends of the library groups and they have contributed to the first draft of the review.

"This review sets out a plan where instead of closing libraries or reducing opening hours, we diversify the way libraries are funded.

"We intend to review how we are doing in summer 2013 as a mid-point but if progress is not on track we will have to consider closures once again."

People can hear more about the review at public meetings on September 10 at Northampton Central Library from 10am to noon and September 17 at Weston Favell Library from 10am to noon and Wellingborough Library from 2pm to 4pm.

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A NEW £1.5 million IT contract is to benefit students at Malcolm Arnold Academy in Northampton.

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Through engaging with staff, Northgate has been supporting the academy to prepare for change as it moves to a new ICT rich environment.

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BE ALERT TO COPPER PIPE THEFTS

MEMBERS of the public are being asked to be vigilant following a number of thefts of copper piping from gas meters in Northampton and the south of the county.

Thefts have taken place in villages including Hartwell and Yardley Gobion.

Inspector Alex Terry said: "Not only are these thefts criminal offences, it is also an incredibly dangerous practice and causes serious gas leaks.

"The National Grid has been called out on a number of occasions.

"If you smell gas, report it immediately.

"Please be vigilant and if you see anyone acting suspiciously near any gas main equipment, meters, boxes or piping then please call the police straight away."

FRAUDSTER CONS WAY INTO HOUSE

AN 84-year-old man has become the latest victim of a distraction burglary.

It happened in The Crescent, Moulton, last Thursday at around 11.05am.

The pensioner answered the door to a man stating he was from an electricity company.

He showed ID and said the victim had been paying too much money for his electric and was due a refund.

The offender produced £100 in cash and asked for £40 change.

The victim was then distracted in the kitchen where he was asked to help hold an electronic device in a socket in the wall while the offender checked the meter.

The victim then went to find the offender but he had left the property.

He then discovered that a sum of money had been stolen.

The offender is described as a white man in his 50s with short grey hair.

He was of small build, around 5ft 6 tall and was wearing a white shirt and dark trousers.

DUO KNOCKED OUT BY GROUP

TWO men were left unconscious after being attacked in Northampton.

The incident happened in College Street on Monday, August 29 between 3.30am and 4am.

Two men were walking up College Street when they were approached by a group of four or five Asian and white men, one of whom asked for some pizza.

When one of the victims declined, he was assaulted and left unconscious.

The other victim tried to intervene but was also assaulted and left unconscious.

The offenders are described as aged in their early 20s.

Four women tried to help the victims after the assault and police are appealing for them to come forward to help with enquiries, along with any other witnesses.

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Last year the event saw more than 800 participants pedal their way to raising £40,000 for Macmillan Cancer Support and The Friends of Cynthia Spencer Hospice.

This year the cycle will be taking place at its new venue of Althorp, the home of Earl Spencer.

Chris Dowdy, Carlsberg UK's team captain, said: "We just felt we had to do something to try to help these two wonderful causes."

Cycle 4 Cynthia 2011 is taking place on Sunday, September 25 with different length routes.

Entry is £10 for adults, £5 for children and £25 for families.

For more details, visit www.cycle4cynthia.com

Team learn about mosques on tour

BY HAZEL SLADE
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A TOUR of town centre mosques took place this week in a bid to raise awareness of the religious hubs.

Cllr Danielle Stone, of Northampton Borough Council, arranged the tour with councillors and authority officers on Monday in a hope that any issues between the authority and the mosques could be raised.

Cllr Stone, who represents Castle Ward, said: "It's great to have had a positive response from people about this tour of town centre mosques and councillors are really willing to listen to get a better understanding of the issues.

"The tour was excellent and everyone got a lot out of it.

"This is not an event, however, but a process of better understanding the communities we represent.

"The challenge now is for us to build on this great success."

The tour started at the Guildhall in Northampton.

Members and officers then went on to visit St James Masjid, on Argyle Street, then St George's Masjid, on St George's Street, followed by lunch at the Somali Women's Centre.

The afternoon also included a trip to the Central Masjid on Abington Avenue and the Stimpson Road Masjid.

Cllr Lee Mason, leader of Northampton Labour Group, said: "I got a lot out of the tour and it really added to my understanding of the valuable role mosques play in the community."

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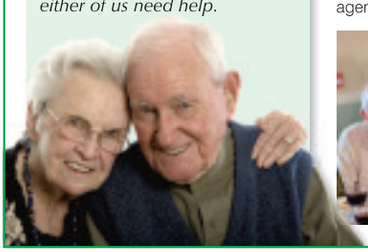

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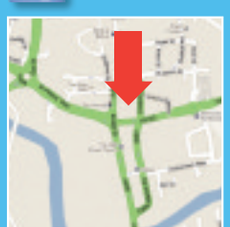

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Your entertainment guide

Ian is the godfather of theatre

THEATRE

THE SYNDICATE
Milton Keynes Theatre
September 12–17

"I LIKE to accept a part if I'm intrigued by it" says Ian McKellen. "Then I'll look at the script more carefully and, selfishly, find out who else is involved, the when, where and how much and, if all the elements come together, then I'll accept it."

Clearly all the elements have come together in The Syndicate, a new version of the 1961 Eduardo De Filippo black comedy that is coming to Milton Keynes Theatre this month.

And Sir Ian, knighted in 1991 for his services to the performing arts, is loving the challenge of playing a 'Godfather' who rules the back streets of Naples with a smile – and a gun.

"Eduardo de Filippo was the Alan Ayckbourn of his day" he says. "He lived in Naples and wrote, directed and starred in his own shows. He produced local theatre for a local audience and I admire him so much.

"The Syndicate is a famous play back in Italy but it had never been seen in the UK. In Naples, after the war, law and order had broken down. Neither the police nor the government could be trusted so the 'Godfathers', who each ruled their own district, stepped in to take over with a rod of iron."

McKellen plays Mafia boss Antonio Barracano who, as a young man, fled to New York to escape prosecution for murder.

Forty years after his return to Italy from the USA he is a 'Godfather' with a conscience, helping people sort out their problems, trying to stamp out violence.

"It's a fantastic part for me" he says "and for lots of other characters. And I'm working

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Comedy stars to joke the night away with laughter

COMEDY

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Royal & Derngate Underground
Friday, September 16 at 8.15pm

THE theatre's comedy club returns with some of the hottest new names on the circuit.

The line up includes Tom Binns, Kate Smurthwaite and Anthony King.

Writer, actor and comedian Binns first appeared on television in Knowing Me Knowing You with Alan Partridge and Friday/Saturday Night Armistice.

More recently he's been in Spooks and the IT Crowd and he has written for many TV shows including Trigger Happy TV. He has enjoyed sell out shows at the Edinburgh Festival since 2007.

Top stand-up and comedy writer Smurthwaite started performing in 2004 and 18 months later quit her day job in finance to become a pro, making her solo debut at the Edinburgh Festival in 2006. She has performed at many top comedy venues.

King is an outwardly normal looking bloke who turned to comedy after he was disowned by the Catholic Church for confessing in too much detail and has gone on to perform at all the major comedy clubs across the UK and beyond.

His deadpan humour, masterful timing and one-liners combine to make him one of the most polished performers on the circuit.

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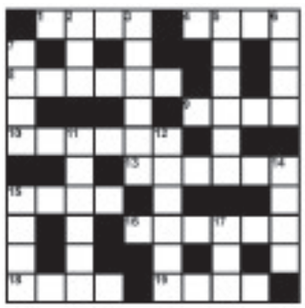

QUICKSOLVE?

ACROSS
1. Do badly (4)
4. Big story (4)
8. Coolness (5)
9. Cease (4)
10. Late meal (8)
13. Suit maker (8)
15. Dab with paint (4)
16. Prawn (5)
18. Story (4)
19. Thick twine (4)

DOWN
2. Everyone (3)
3. A gastropod (6)
5. Doorway (5)
6. A fish (4)
7. Cricket kit (4)
11. Poor man (8)
12. Bacon slice (6)
14. Mature (4)
15. Sleepy (4)
17. Little devil (3)

SOLUTION FOR LAST WEEK
ACROSS: 1 Jumbled 6 Exit 7 Vex 8 Imitated 10 Drill 12 Fled 14 Lectured 16 Ink 17 Moor 18 Essayed
DOWN: 1 Jive 2 Maxim 3 Limit 4 Debacle 5 Study 9 Mixture 11 Slump 12 Fries 13 Edify 15 Skid

FIND THE WORDS

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Find the words: Up, down, forwards, backwards, straight or diagonal. This week: British actors: Neeson, Donat, Burton, Howard, Jacobi, Branagh, Callow, Dance, Mason, Gielgud, Mills, Hurt, Caine, Firth, Niven, Chaplin, Grant, Olivier, Connery, Conti

MATCH FIVE

Amongst all the five letter words, can you find the five that appear in both grids? (Forwards, backwards, up, down, straight or diagonal)

A	I	L	A	T	C	H
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I	E	L	A	C	O	L
D	I	P	L	E	A	H
P	R	O	A	S	L	L
E	F	A	O	C	O	C

D	N	A	O	R	G	C
E	T	I	S	R	H	A
G	P	O	E	S	C	P
R	A	E	L	C	R	E
U	T	I	O	I	E	R
S	C	A	M	P	P	R
E	H	O	T	E	L	Y

BRAIN STRAIN

G I U F G N T A I

How many words of four letters or more can you make? No plurals, proper names or foreign words. All must include the centre letter. Good: 12 Magnificent: 16+

ANSWERS: MATCH FIVE: PATCH, HOTEL, CLEAR, PILOT, CAPER

Nº Fun! *20*

Nº	6	-	8
Fun!	+	3	÷
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Use all the numbers and signs to make the star total. Do calculations in strict order from left to right with no brackets - eg 9x8-8÷3+3=25

Last week: 4 + 2 + 4 x 3 – 5 = 13

Breakfast club

– with Heart FM's Stuart and Natalie

ULRIKA Jonsson came on the show to tell us about her new book, called The Importance of being Murtle.

It's her fictional debut but we're more interested in playing a bit of a game with her as we'd heard she was a fan of the famous children's author Roald Dahl.

First question, did she prefer Roald Dahl or Tarka Dahl?

Ulrika told us she was indeed a big fan of Roald Dahl, which was a relief as we'd based our interview on him.

Next up we wanted to know how good she remembered the books, starting with Mr Twit and what she would do to him if he was her husband. She said: "I would have built one shoe higher than the others, amongst other things."

Next up we asked if you had to be one of the characters in Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, who would you be?

She said: "Everyone wants to be Charlie, as he's such a charming, endearing sweet little boy but honestly I'd like to be Veruca Salt – I mean only Roald Dahl could get away with a character like her, it would be great fun."

Finally we asked what she had in her handbag, that we could add to George's marvellous Medicine. Ulrika answered 'vodka' then went on to offer: "Very gorgeous and expensive lip balm or I'm happy to offer you up one of my chewing gums."

We choose the lip balm as she said it was VERY expensive…

The most important question we wanted to know was if it annoyed her when people called her Ulrika ka ka kaa (you'll know this if you watch Shooting Stars). She said: "It's actually one of the nicer things people call me."

She was great fun and we loved having her on the show.

Stuart and Natalie present Heart Breakfast Monday to Friday 6am-10am on Heart 96.6FM

What'sOn24/7

Spare time to aid dementia patients

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The Atrium, Whittlebury Park

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FOR the eleventh year running five mums will team up to do their bit for charity, all in the name of shopping.

This year running for two days, their efforts will benefit Northamptonshire Macmillan Cancer Support, Helen & Douglas House Hospice for children and young adults and St John Ambulance.

Sam Satchell, chairwoman of the organising committee, said: "We are very excited that we are able to offer the opportunity to come and shop on Wednesday evening as well as all day Thursday this year."

Having gone from strength to strength since starting out as a coffee morning, last year's extravaganza raised £19,000 and attracted 700 visitors.

There will be about 60 stalls selling homewares, gifts, clothing, books and jewellery. Everyone is welcome and refreshments will be available. Entry is £5.

Ian relishes his own Italian job

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with so many old friends including Michael Pennington, Jane Bertish and Cherie Lunghi, and some really talented younger actors."

McKellen is also, once again, teamed up with Sean Mathias who directed Samuel Becket's Waiting for Godot, the immensely successful production that ran for a week at MK Theatre in 2009. And he's pleased to be coming back.

"I had a wonderful time in Milton Keynes. It was the first time the play really took off. The audience got the humour and their response really lifted the production; we were all very surprised and delighted."

Speaking of being surprised and delighted, it's always a welcome relief when someone as distinguished and famous as the star of such major movies as X-Men, The Da Vinci Code and The Lord of the Rings Trilogy, who is also a leading player with both the National Theatre and the Royal Shakespeare Company, is not only prepared to give you the time of day but is also eminently approachable and charming.

There are far less celebrated actors around who bring far greater egos to the interview table.

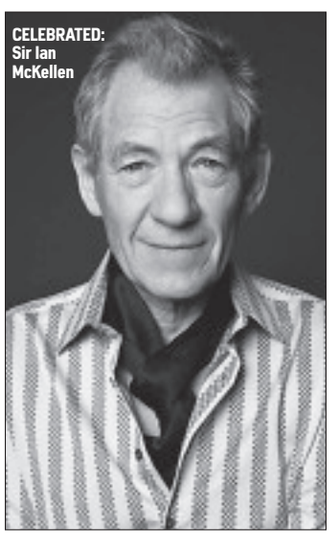
"The challenge in this play" he says, "is trying to be Italian without resorting to cod accents. So it's all about portraying that Mediterranean character through gestures, intonation and bearing. We stay in England but we look Italian. And it is a rattling good story."

So how about a West End transfer for this Chichester Festival Theatre production?

"When the tour comes to an end I am not free" he says with a tinge of disappointment in his voice, "but I am free this time next year. If I'm asked to do it in London, well, that would be marvellous!"

Sir Ian is not free because of a prior commitment.

"I try not to play the same part over and over again – though having said that, the day after we finish the tour in Milton Keynes, I am due to fly back to New Zealand where filming is underway on The Hobbit in which I play Gandalf, a part I played in The Lord of the Rings trilogy."



CELEBRATED: Sir Ian McKellen

Ah, Sir Ian, how could we not be aware of that strand of your career that sees you cast as the all-powerful, mortality-defying wizard, Gandalf?

"Nowadays, I tend to get offered parts playing very, very old people. Don Antonio is about 75 years old. . ." he pauses, "which doesn't seem so old to me now."

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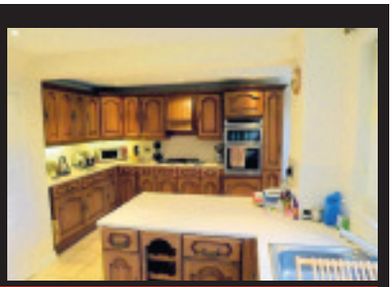

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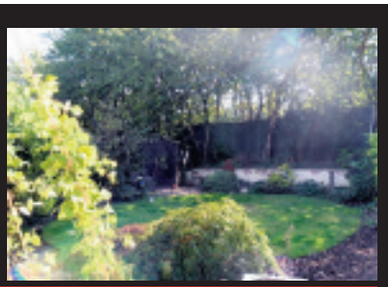


£149,995

- Three Bedrooms
- Detached
- Garage
- Off Road Parking
- Kitchen/Diner
- Gas Central Heating

Billing Road

£135,000

- Two Bedroom Apartment
- No Upper Chain
- Allocated Parking for One Car
- Close to Local Amenities
- Ground Floor

PUBLIC NOTICE

£85,000

PUBLIC NOTICE: 60 Muncaster Gardens, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN4 0XH. By order of the mortgagees in possession, we would advise that an offer has been made for the above property in the sum of £82,500. Any person wishing to increase on this offer should notify the selling agents of their best offer to be made either prior to exchange of contracts or within 7 days which ever is sooner. 4 Bridge Street, Northampton, NN1 1NW 01604624033.

Semilong

NEW

£110,000

- Two bedroom
- Mid terrace
- No upper chain
- Ideal for first time buyer
- Gas central heating
- Garden

Rothersthorpe

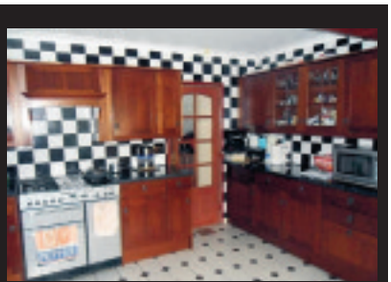
NEW

£260,000

- No Upper Chain
- Four Bedrooms
- Detached
- Recently Refurbished
- Lounge/Diner
- Off Road Parking to Garage

Paxton Road

NEW



£225,000

- Four/Five Bedrooms
- Detached Property
- Off Road Parking
- Tandem Garage
- Kitchen/Diner
- Downstairs W.C.

Northampton

REDUCED PRICE

£98,950

- Two double Bedrooms
- Ideal for a first time buyer
- No upper chain
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- Double glazing

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Hardingstone

OPEN HOUSE

£182,500

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Charming Three Bedroom
End Of Terrace Cottage
Popular Village Location
Conservatory/Family Room
Garden

Ecton Brook

£130,000

- Three Bedroom Semi Detached Property
- Cul de sac Location
- Re-fitted Kitchen
- Part Converted Garage
- Double Glazing Where Specified
- Gas Radiator Heating

Northampton

NEW PRICE

£90,000

Three bedrooms
Double glazing (where specified)
Re-fitted kitchen
End of terrace
Off road parking
Garage

Hunsbury Hill

£219,950

- Four Bedroom
- Detached Home
- Popular Location
- En Suite To Master
- Separate Reception Rooms
- Utility Room

Semilong

£115,000

- Three Bedroom Victorian Terrace
- Popular Location
- Rear Garden
- Gas to Radiator Central Heating
- Double Glazing (Where Specified)

Abington Vale

£169,995

- Popular Residential Location of Abington Vale
- Three Bedroom Detached Property
- Single Garage
- Double Glazing Where Specified
- No Upper Chain

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Great Billing

NEW

£115,000

No Upper Chain
Holiday Home
Three Bedrooms
Off Road Parking
Decking Surounding
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£169,995

Three Bedroom
Semi Detached Property
Off Road parking
Gas to Radiator Central Heating
Gardens To Front and Rear
Popular Location

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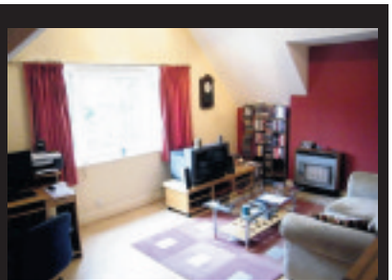

£85,000

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Duston

£215,000

- Four Bedroom Detached
- No Upper Chain
- Double Glazing
- Gas Central Heating
- Garage
- Utility

Duston

£120,000

- Cul-De-Sac Location
- Landscape Rear Garden
- Two Bedrooms
- Kitchen/Diner
- Off Road Parking For Two Cars
- Downstairs Cloakroom

Upton

£250,000

- NO UPPER CHAIN
- Very Nicely Presented
- Four Bedrooms
- En Suite To Master
- Study
- Off Road Parking Leading To Garage

Duston

£140,000

- Two Bedrooms
- Detached
- No Upper Chain
- Conservatory
- Off Road Parking To Garage
- Gas Central Heating

Upton

£340,000

- Six Bedroom Detached
- Garden Room
- Ensuite to Master
- Gas Central Heating
- Double Glazing
- Off Road Parking & Carport

Duston

£132,500

- Two Bedrooms
- Mid Terrace Property
- No Upper Chain
- Gas Central Heating
- Double Glazing Wear Specified
- Off Road Parking

Upton

£220,000

- Four Bedrooms
- Gas Central Heating
- Double Glazing
- Ensuite to Master
- Off Road Parking & Garage
- Family Bathroom

Duston

£115,000

- Two Bedroom
- First Floor Apartment
- Over 55's Development
- Secure Gated Parking
- Warden Control
- Gas Central Heating

Upton

£60,000

- Two Double bedrooms
- Gas Central Heating
- No Upper Chain
- 50% Shared Ownership
- Gated Allocated Parking
- Ideal For First Time Buyer

Upton

£70,000

- 50% Shared Ownership
- Two Bedrooms
- No Upper Chain
- Ideal First Time Buyer
- Allocated Parking
- Gas Central Heatin

Duston

Offers Over £200,000

- Extended Four Bedroom Detached Property
- Ensuite to Master
- Utility Room
- Conservatory
- Garage and Off Road Parking

Duston

O.I.E.O £135,000

- Two Bedroom Bungalow
- Over 55's Development
- Single Garage
- No Upper Chain
- Double Glazing (where specified)
- Gas Central Heating

Duston

£150,000

- Three Bedroom Dormer Style Bungalow
- Conservatory
- Master Ensuite
- Work Shed
- Garage
- No Upper Chain

Duston

£195,000

- Modern Four Bedroom Detached Propetry
- Private Driveway
- Downstairs Cloakroom
- Three Reception Rooms
- Master Bedroom With Ensuite
- Gardens

Duston

£330,000

- Four Bedroom Detached Family Home
- Double Garage
- Large Kitchen/Family Room
- Two Ensuite Bathroom
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**Advertorial*

Bairstow Eves take part in UK's largest open house weekend on 17th and 18th September

BUYERS, BOOK THIS DATE!

Leading local agents, Bairstow Eves are planning to take part in this year's 'Big September Move' – the UK's largest Open House weekend, and are urging buyers to get the date in their diaries so they don't miss out on the opportunity to potentially find their dream property.

Taking place on the 17th and 18th September, Bairstow Eves will join more than 1,300 agents across the UK to help their committed buyers, sellers, landlords and tenantscomplete their move before the end of the year.

Thousands of sellers across the country will open up their homes for the event, allowing potential buyers to organise multiple viewings over one weekend.

Bairstow Eves participated in a similar Open House weekend in May this year – where 17,000 properties took part and over 31,000 viewings were carried out during the two day period, resulting in thousands of successful house sales.

Peter Wallace, MD, comments: "We are delighted to be taking part in the Open House event as it's a great opportunity for sellers to showcase their homes and for buyers to view and compare lots of different properties without rushing around during the week."

"The period between the school holidays and Christmas is always a time where buyer interest picks up so this event is perfectly timed to give buyers a helping hand in completing their move before the New Year.

We expect this event to be the biggest yet, and there is still time for homeowners and landlords to sign up to participate."Bairstow Eves offices will be open over the weekend and consultants will be on hand to offer their expertise, whilst prospective buyers can call agents to obtain a password to view properties over the weekend.

Eager buyers can also keep checking www.propertywide.co.uk to see which properties are taking part in the Open House event – with more properties being added every day.

Peter Wallace adds: "Buyers will have access to view hundreds of properties across the region, from one bedroom apartments to large family homes. We've already been experiencing a high demand for sales and lettings properties across all areas, so we anticipate lots of viewings to be taking place over that weekend - we suggest buyers keep an eye on the properties taking part and book viewings before their dream homes are snapped up."

To coincide with the event, Countrywide Mortgage Services consultants operating in Bairstow Eves offices across the region will be offering exclusive mortgages and will also be available to discuss the financial options available for buyers including the Government's new First Buy initiative.

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Inset picture shows the original Pearce Leatherworks building.

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Visitors will be among the first in the world to experience future travel in a hydrogen-powered car, with passenger rides available.

The vehicle is Hyundai's third-generation FCEV and it demonstrates the company's work on cutting-edge alternative fuels.

Boasting the same convenience as today's vehicles powered by traditional internal combustion engines, the ix35 FCEV has a driving range of 360miles, a maximum speed of 100mph and can do zero to 62mph in 12.8 seconds.

The fuel cell stack can operate at sub-zero temperatures as low as -25 degrees Celsius and unlike a combustion-engined car, the ix35's only emissions are water vapour.

This vehicle moves Hyundai closer to the commercialisation of fuel cell electric vehicles and the aim is to bring an FCEV to market in the next few years.

Earlier this year, the Hyundai Motor Group signed a memorandum of understanding with four Northern European countries to operate test fleets of FCEVs.

Test drives have already been carried out in Korea and Copenhagen.

Hyundai UK's managing director, Tony Whitehorn, said: "We are extremely excited to be showcasing the ix35 FCEV in the UK for the first time at EcoVelocity.

"Hyundai is a world leader in the development of hydrogen-powered technology and is constantly researching and developing modes of transportation that use alternative fuels at the Eco-technology research institute in Mabuk, Korea.

"The ultimate goal would be to see zero-emission vehicles on UK roads within the next few years however, the market and local infrastructure will be the real determinant of this.

"In the interim, Hyundai is working hard to make internal combustion engines as efficient as possible."

Also featuring on the Hyundai stand at the event will be the sub-100g/km CO2 i10 Blue and the recently launched i20 Blue.

The i10 Blue is powered by a 1.0-litre Kappa three-cylinder petrol engine returning an impressive 67.3mpg combined.

The i20 Blue is powered by a 1.4-litre CRDi four-cylinder engine with76.4mpg on a combined cycle.

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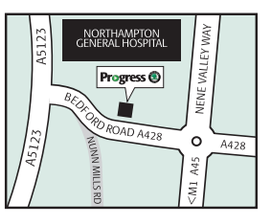

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Rio to raise the bar for Kia Motors

KIA'S bold new Rio model is on sale now.

It boasts a distinctive personality, bringing the newcomer in line with the rest of Kia's striking design-led passenger car range.

With a greater emphasis on style and quality, emphatic lead in fuel economy and emissions and wider range of equipment, Kia expects the new Rio to be a top-ten contender in the supermini market.

Priced from £10,595, it is on sale in the UK from this month as a five-door. The three-door model will be available from early 2012.

New Rio has its own interpretation of Kia's signature grille, integrated with the head-lamps to give a new twist on the Kia family look. In profile, the body to glass ratio and its strong wedge form give new Rio a dynamic stance.

The new model features a wheelbase extended by 70 mm and promises greater passenger space and comfort, together with increased cargo capacity.

Inside, the new model delivers a high level of quality previously associated with larger models – together with a wide selection of trim options.

Kia's B-segment newcomer will be offered with four engines – two petrol and two diesel.

The 1.1 CRDi will offer the lowest CO2 emissions of any non-electric vehicle on sale today.

Fitted with 15-inch wheels and sporting the full gamut of Kia's EcoDynamics fuel-saving technologies – including Intelligent Stop & Go engine technology, low rolling resistance tyres, a drag-reducing front grille, gearshift indicator and rear spoiler - this model is capable of 88.3mpg, with CO2 emissions of only 85g/km.

Yet with 74bhp and 170Nm of torque from a mere 1,500rpm, it delivers sprightly performance.

All 1.1-litre diesel versions of the new Rio five-door have CO2 emissions below 100g/km and combined cycle fuel economy of at least 74.3mpg.

EcoDynamics technologies will be a standard feature with all new Rio diesels, including the 1.4-litre models scheduled to be added to the line-up shortly.

Soon-Nam Lee, director of overseas marketing, Kia Motors Corporation, said: "This new model is a big step forward.

"The Rio has always been successful and with this new incarnation we have a car that people will want to buy for its looks."

Since its launch in 2005, global sales of the current-generation Rio have totalled more than 860,000 units. It was the company's third best-selling vehicle in overseas markets during 2010 with sales of more than 219,000.

There will be four trim grades with a high standard specification

Even on entry level '1', standard features include daytime running lights, body-coloured bumpers, door handles and door mirrors, speed-variable front wipers, head-lamp levelling, front electric windows, 15-inch steel wheels, a height-adjustable driver's seat, two-way steering column adjustment on the petrol model, a tachometer and trip computer, split folding rear seats, a boot light, a 12-volt power socket and an MP3-compatible RDS radio and CD player with USB and AUX ports. Wireless connectivity is also standard on the petrol entry model and on all versions with other trim grades.

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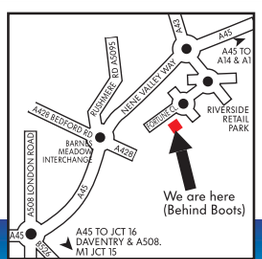

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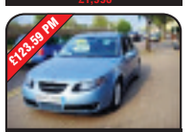

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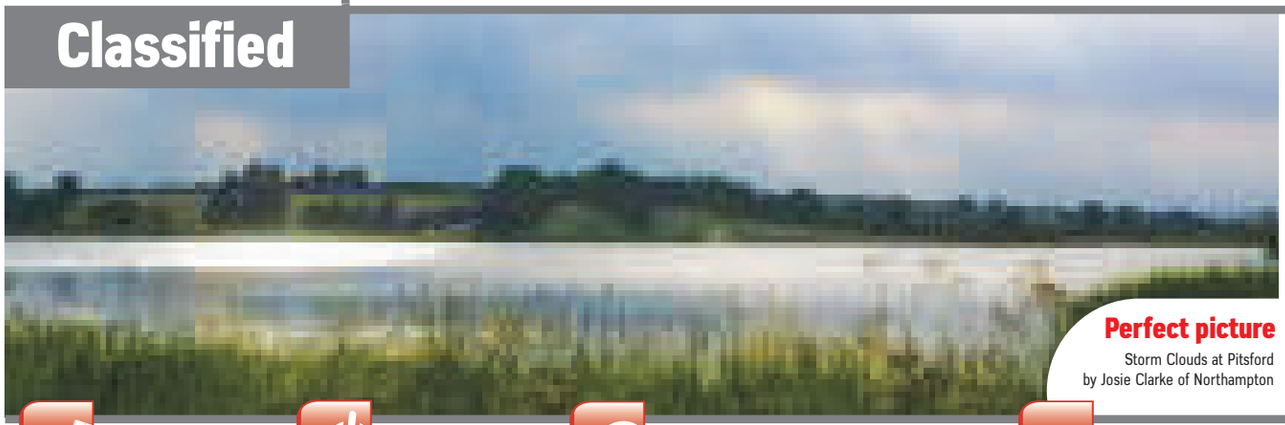

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NORTHAMPTON BOROUGH COUNCIL
TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING
(GENERAL DEVELOPMENT PROCEDURE) ORDER 1995
NOTICE UNDER ARTICLE 8
PLANNING (LISTED BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION AREAS) ACT 1990
APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING PERMISSION

N/2011/0626 **The Memorial Hall 17 Castilian Street –** Erection of first floor extension above stairs and provision of covered smoking area to first floor (as amended by revised plans received 01/09/2011). Within Derngate Conservation Area.

N/2011/0627 **The Memorial Hall 17 Castilian Street –** Change of use of Memorial Hall to provide for wine bar (Use Class A4) with kitchen facilities (as amended by plans received 01/09/2011). Within Derngate Conservation Area.

N/2011/0818 **Development Land, Old Towcester Road –** Residential Development comprising 45no. Major Application.

N/2011/0836 **22 Market Square –** Repairs to roof to include replacement slates, lead flashing and dormer coverings, repair fascia, dormer casement windows and repair render to parapets. Grade II Listed Building Within All Saints Conservation Area.

N/2011/0837 **43 Grove Road –** First floor rear extension and raising of eave height to existing two storey rear projection. Within the Boot & Shoe Conservation Area.

N/2011/0839 **Former Westonia Garage Site 582 - 592 Wellingborough Road** – Erection of 35 x 1 bed and 15 x 2 bed living apartments for the elderly (Cat II type accommodation), communal facilities, landscaping and car parking. Major Application.

Members of the public may inspect copies of the applications, plans and any other documentation submitted at the One Stop Shop, Guildhall, St. Giles Square, Northampton, NN1 1DE during all reasonable office hours. Plans can also be viewed on-line at www.northampton.gov.uk, click on 'planning' and then 'planning search facility'. Anyone who wishes to make representations about these applications should write to the Planning Division, Guildhall, St. Giles Square, Northampton NN1 1DE or email planning@northampton.gov.uk by 29th September 2011.

Susan Bridge, Head of Planning
Northampton Borough Council

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14
THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (KING EDWARD ROAD, CHRISTCHURCH ROAD & BILLING ROAD EAST, NORTHAMPTON) (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2011

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Northamptonshire County Council have made an Order the effect of which is to prohibit traffic from proceeding along those lengths of King Edward Road, Christchurch Road and Billing Road East, Northampton as specified in the Schedule below.

REASONS FOR RESTRICTION: The restriction is required for safety during carriageway patching.

PERIOD OF CLOSURE: The proposed Order will come into effect on 12th September 2011 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for the Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002.

EXPECTED DURATION: It is expected that the roads will be restricted as specified in the Schedule below.

ALTERNATIVE ROUTES: As specified in the Schedule below.

Dated this 8th day of September 2011

QUENTIN BAKER
Director of Legal Services

PKG/T11/145

If you require any further information please contact Gary Thorp on 01604-364359.

SCHEDULE

Road Name	King Edward Road, Northampton
Dates	From 12th September and expected to be restricted until 14th September 2011 between 08.00 and 16.00
Termination Points	From the junction of Park Avenue South to the junction with Lutterworth Road
Alternative Route	Use Lutterworth Road, Billing Road and Park Avenue South

Road Name	Christchurch Road, Northampton
Dates	From 14th September and expected to be restricted until 16th September 2011 between 08.00 and 16.00
Termination Points	From the junction of Park Avenue South to the junction with Wycliffe Road
Alternative Route	Use Wycliffe Road, King Edward Road and Park Avenue South

Road Name	Billing Road East, Northampton
Dates	From 16th September and it is expected to be restricted for one day between 09.15 and 15.30
Termination Points	From the junction of Park Avenue South to the junction with Landcross Drive
Alternative Route	Use Park Avenue South, Abington Park Crescent and Landcross Drive

Public Notices

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No. 70322 OF 2008 **RE: ROBERT HUGHES**

I intend to pay within four months *from 27 September 2011* (being the last day for proving) the first and final dividend of 0.24p/£.

Creditors who have not yet proved their debts must do so *by 27 September 2011* otherwise they will be excluded from the dividend. The required proof of debt form is available on the Insolvency Service website (www.bis.gov.uk/insolvency, select "Forms" and then form 6.37). Alternatively, you can contact my office at 2nd Floor, Sunley House, Bedford Park, Croydon, CR9 1TX, or telephone 020 8681 5166 to supply a form.

No. 70395 OF 2008 **RE: LINDA ANNE WATT**

D.O.B: 20/01/1950

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NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14

THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (A508 HARBOROUGH ROAD, NORTHAMPTON)

(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2011

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Northamptonshire County Council have made an Order the effect of which is to prohibit traffic from proceeding along that length of the A508 Harborough Road, Northampton as set out below.

LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES: That length of the A508 Harborough Road, Northampton from the junction of Kingsland Grove to the junction of Yelvertoft Road.

REASONS FOR RESTRICTION: The restriction is required for safety during surfacing works in connection with Kingsthorpe bus corridor improvements.

PERIOD OF CLOSURE: The proposed Order will come into effect on 14th September 2011 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for the Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002.

EXPECTED DURATION: It is expected that the road will be restricted until 27th September 2011 overnight only.

ALTERNATIVE ROUTES: For traffic heading north use Kingsthorpe Grove, Kingsley Road, Kingsley Park Terrace, Kettering Road North, Booth Rise, Talavera Way, Red House Road and Holly Lodge Drive. The route is vice versa for traffic heading south.

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ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14

THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (LUMBERTUBS LANE, NORTHAMPTON)

(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2011

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Northamptonshire County Council intend, not less than seven days from the date of this Notice, to make an Order the effect of which will be to prohibit traffic from proceeding along that length of Lumbertubs Lane, Northampton as set out below.

LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES: That length of Lumbertubs Lane, Northampton from the junction of Queenswood Avenue to junction of Booth Rise.

REASONS FOR RESTRICTION: The restriction is required for safety during carriageway patching, resurfacing and installation of traffic calming.

PERIOD OF CLOSURE: The proposed Order will come into effect on 19th September 2011 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for the Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002.

EXPECTED DURATION: It is expected that the road will be restricted until 30th September 2011 at off peak times only.

ALTERNATIVE ROUTES: For traffic heading east use Booth Rise and Lumbertubs Way. The route is vice versa for traffic heading west.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Secretary of State for Transport intends to make an Order on the M1 Motorway, in the County of Northamptonshire, to allow repair work to be carried out.

The effect of the Order will be to –

(a) impose a 50 miles per hour speed restriction on –

(i) the southbound carriageway of the M1 from a point 5000 metres north of the centrepoint of the A45 junction (M1 Junction 16) to that centrepoint; and

(ii) the slip road leading from the southbound carriageway of the M1 at Junction 16; and

(b) close the slip road described at (a)(ii) above.

Work will be carried out overnight between 20:00 hours and 05:00 hours and is expected to start on Monday 3 October 2011 and last for four nights. The Order will come into force on 26 September 2011.

Vehicles being used for police, fire brigade or ambulance purposes will be exempt from the speed restrictions and closure. Vehicles being used for special forces purposes will be exempt from the speed restrictions and vehicles being used in connection with the works or by a Traffic Officer will be exempt from the closure. A diversion route during the slip road closure will be well signed.

For further information, please contact Helen Beech, Project Manager on behalf of the Highways Agency, on 01623 886556.

THE A43 TRUNK ROAD (SILVERSTONE, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE) (SLIP ROAD) (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) ORDER 2011

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Secretary of State for Transport intends to make an Order on the A43 Trunk Road at Silverstone, in the County of Northamptonshire, to allow junction improvement and maintenance work to be carried out.

The effect of the Order will be to close the slip road leading to the northbound carriageway of the A43 from Dadford Road (south of Silverstone).

The work will be carried out overnight between 2000 hours and 0600 hours and is expected to start on Monday 3 October 2011 and continue for four weeks. The Order will come into force on 26 September 2011.

Vehicles being used by the emergency services and vehicles being used in connection with the works will be exempt from the closure. A diversion route will be well signed.

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WEST NORTHAMPTONSHIRE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE) (ENGLAND) ORDER 2010
NOTICE UNDER ARTICLE 13 OF APPLICATION(S) FOR PLANNING PERMISSION

Application No.: 11/0054/REMWNN

Applicant: Northampton Regeneration Partnership

Location: Former Cherry Orchard Middle School, Birchfield Road East, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN3 2TA

Proposal: Submission of reserved matters to include Appearance, Landscaping, Layout and Scale pursuant to outline permission 06/0132/OUTWNN dated 23/12/2008 for 155 dwellings with associated parking, roads and open spaces.

Copies of the applications, plans and any other documentation submitted are available for inspection at WNDC Offices, Franklin's Gardens, Weedon Road, Northampton between 10am –12am and 2pm – 4pm. They can also be viewed on-line at **www.wndc.org.uk**, please follow the link to '**Search Planning Applications**'.

Any person who wishes to make representations on the application(s) can comment via our website or write to the Planning Department, PO Box 622 Franklin's Gardens, Northampton, NN5 5WU by **29th September 2011**.

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Adrian Arnold
Director of Planning Services, on behalf of West Northamptonshire Development Corporation
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WEST NORTHAMPTONSHIRE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
NOTICE UNDER ARTICLE 13 OF TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE) (ENGLAND) ORDER 2010.
APPLICATION FOR PLANNING PERMISSION ACCOMPANIED BY AN ENVIRONMENTAL STATEMENT

I GIVE NOTICE THAT ROXHILL DEVELOPMENTS LTD has applied to West Northamptonshire Development Corporation for planning permission

Application No.: 11/0053/OUTWNN

Location: Land At Brackmills Point, Former Cattlemarket Site, Liliput Road, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN4 7HS

Proposal: Outline application for a Warehouse and Distribution development with associated infrastructure and landscaping. All matters reserved except Access.

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RUGBY WORLD CUP 2011

BLOG

AS SAINTS prop Soane Tonga'uiha prepares to line up for Tonga against host side the All Blacks for tomorrow's Rugby World Cup opener, and seven other Northampton players get ready for their tournament to begin, Herald & Post have a man out in New Zealand to bring you the action from the fans' perspective. Follow Mitch Freeley on Twitter at: twitter.com/NotSweetChariot and read his blogs on our website at: www.northampton-news-hp.co.uk

FINE FORM: Chris Ashton scoring against Australia last November

Ashton ready for the real stuff in World Cup opener

CHRIS Ashton is desperate to take his top form off the training pitch and showcase it in front of the watching millions when England go into battle against Argentina in their opening Rugby World Cup match on Saturday.

The Northampton Saints wing has had a frustrating pre-season, only playing in the final warm-up game against Ireland after his recovery from a knee operation suffered a set back due to a separate ankle injury which ruled him out of the penultimate preparation game against Wales in Cardiff.

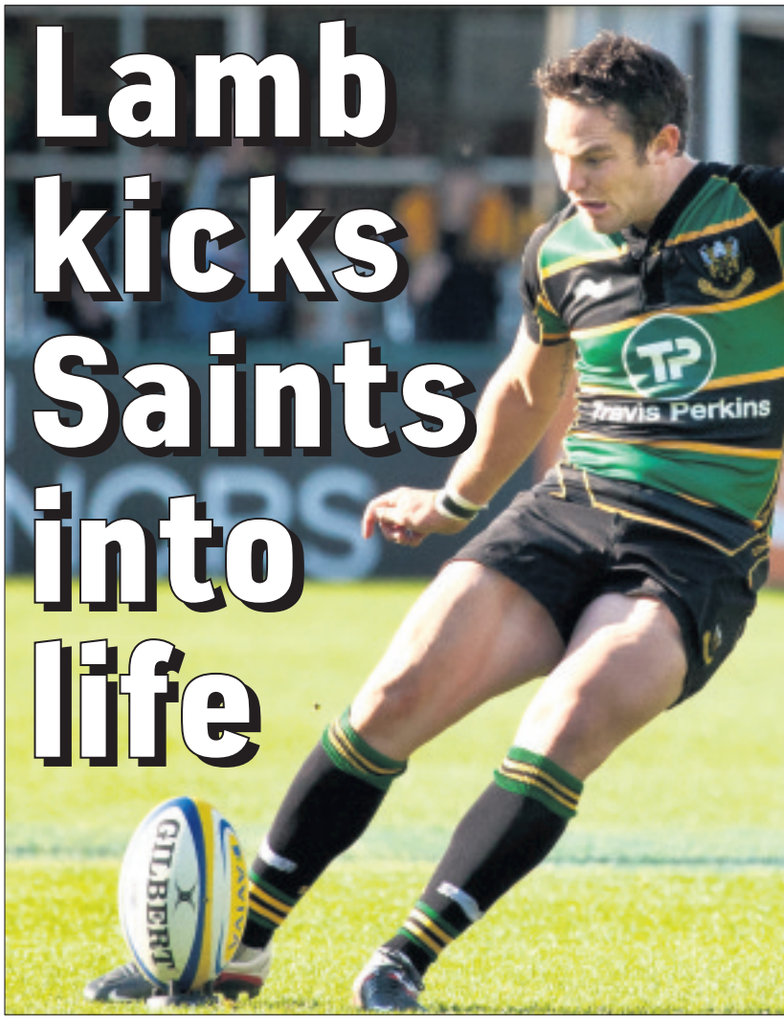
But the 24-year-old said he is firing on all cylinders in training and is now desperate to transfer that to tournament rugby and carrying on form of scoring nine tries in as many international Tests.

"Fortunately I did get one game under my belt which I think I needed to knock that rust off and get used to the timing of play," he said. "It was good to do that, it wasn't the best game for the back three, we didn't get much of the ball, but sometimes the games go like that and a win is a win. If every game in this tournament ends up like that I'll take it.

"I feel good in training but playing is always a bit different and you've got to get used to it. That's normally what the warm-up games are for but they've gone now. There isn't any option, it's got to be full-on on Saturday."

Ashton knows England must be mindful of the threats from Santiago Phelan's Pumas side, who finished third four years ago, but he says the Six Nations champions are fully prepared for them.

"They like to play rugby and they've got a big pack, they're an aggressive team and they often do well in this tournament," he said. "Having them first game up is going to be a big ask, the first game is always the hardest game, everyone is up for it and it sets the tone for the tournament. They are difficult to plan for because they like to play rugby, they've got the people who can do that in the right places and they've also got the lads who can throw themselves around in defence. It's hard to play against but you've got to study that and be ready for every move they are going to make. We'll be ready."



Lamb kicks Saints into life

BY MARC BAZELEY
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BRIAN Clough and Peter Taylor used to give the same speech to a player when they signed him. It went: "Son, the first time we can replace you with a better player, we'll do it without blinking an eyelid. That's what we're paid to do – to produce the best side and to win as many things as we can."

Quite whether Northampton Saints director of rugby Jim Mallinder says anything remotely similar to the football management duo that enjoyed success at both Derby County and Nottingham Forest is up for debate, but he has certainly never been one to let talented players slip through his grasp.

Part of his summer recruitment drive has been enforced by various international call-ups that have affected his side. Yet the likes of Samu Manoa, Martin Roberts, Noah Cato, Tom May and Ryan Lamb all showed in Sunday's Aviva Premiership opener that they have not merely been brought in to make up the numbers.

Despite several impressive showings from the new boys, it was Lamb who grabbed the headlines after landing a 77th minute penalty that secured the 26-24 win. He had come on as a replacement at ten for Stephen Myler, and had missed one from the touchline just minutes earlier.

"Both fly halves played well and that's exactly what we want," said Mallinder. "Stephen Myler played well, he kicked his goals and put us in some good field position, but Ryan Lamb did the same.

"He was unlucky not to convert from the touchline – I think the wind just changed as he was kicking – but it took a lot of nerve for him to step up there and nail that penalty with two or three minutes to go, so that's a lot of credit to him.

"He has had a really good pre-season and we've been playing him and Stephen together.

"They've been sharing the game time and it will be good if both of them are playing well moving forwards.

"I think he can be a very good player. You don't see many Ryan Lambs playing rugby and he's an instinctive footballer.

"He's probably one of the best passers in the game and he backs that up with a good kicking game as well. We're delighted that we have got him here."

Myler, who kicked five from five to end the day with a perfect record with the boot, put the hosts in front with a 13th minute penalty before providing the final pass, a deft, one-handed offload, that sent man of the match Phil Dowson through for a try on 20 minutes.

Tim Taylor had got Gloucester on the scoreboard with a penalty two minutes before that and the Cherry and Whites were level on 23 minutes when impressive centre Jonny May charged down Greig Tonks' clearance and won the footrace to dot down.

Taylor converted and added a second penalty on the half hour. However, it was the Saints that would take the lead going into the break thanks to livewire scrum half Roberts taking the quick tap from a free kick five metres out and planting the ball at the base of the posts.

Myler booted two more penalties inside the first ten minutes of the second period, the second of which saw Gloucester captain Peter Buxton sin-binned for killing the ball. Yet, as the match headed into the final quarter, the fightback began.

Replacement Freddie Burns put over a penalty on the hour and 11 minutes later the dangerous Charlie Sharples finished off a fine move that was started by a rampaging run from Lesley Vainikolo. The conversion was missed, but Burns made amends with a 76th minute drop goal. However, almost straight from the restart the visitors infringed, allowing Lamb the chance to restore Northampton's lead. He duly shook off his previous miss to send the ball between the sticks and Saints held on in the dying minutes to secure the win.

Mallinder admitted that there are areas to improve on, saying: "At this stage of the season you very rarely get a full 80 minute performance, but we had a couple of opportunities which we blew.

"We got ahead, but they scored a good try to come back into the game and the try they got in the first half was unfortunate with the charge down.

"It was one of those games, it was tough

Dowson reveals lesson learned over second

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Maurie Fa'asavalou all absent from their pack.

Like Northampton, Quins opened the campaign with a win, beating London Irish 29-24 in the London Double Header just across the road from their home ground at Twickenham last Saturday.

Had it not been for replacement Ryan Lamb's late penalty though, it could have easily been one in the loss column for the hosts on Sunday after a Freddie Burns drop goal had given Gloucester a slender lead with four minutes to go.

"We've learnt about sides coming back in the second half over the last couple of months," said Dowson, with a slight nod towards events in Cardiff at the end of May.

"The game was no surprise, looking at their side they've got outstanding players all over the pitch, were one of the form teams towards the end of last year and they were confident because they came here last year and beat us, but we knew all that.

OFF THE MARK: Phil Dowson scores

"You're never going to get an entire 80 minutes going your way and they came back very strongly. We regrouped under the sticks, came back very strongly, showed lots of heart and just about got there in the end."

Dowson, who was named man-of-the-match, conceded that the result could have gone either way, but believes that there will be a visible improvement as the season starts to get into full swing.

He said: "Jim [Mallinder] said in the changing room afterwards that it wasn't a perfect game, there was a lot to work on, but the main thing is that we won and showed lots of character getting there. They are the sort of things that make the season go.

"It's a case of bedding in. The pre-season games are great, but there is another step up in intensity when you come back to the Premiership and we've found that today.

"Sometimes that takes a bit of getting used to and we'll take the win, move on and improve."

LATE JOY: Ryan Lamb kicks the winning penalty against Gloucester on Sunday

pictures by Andy Kearns

but at the end of it we're happy we got the win, so we need to make sure we are organised for Harlequins."

That is where Northampton travel tomorrow night, looking to replicate last year's win at the Stoop.

However, Mallinder cautioned: "They're a good young side with some real quality, experienced players there, Nick Evans being the stand-out player for them.

"We know it's going to be difficult, they like to play a lot of rugby and they've got an outstanding back line, in particular.

"They'll look to be negating our strengths and they did that last season, but we know the challenge ahead of us so it is going to be exciting."

half slip-ups

NEW RECRUIT: Martin Roberts also scored

Coetzer pens two-year deal and joins list of stars staying

CRICKET

KYLE Coetzer will join Northamptonshire on a two-year contract from the start of next season after impressing during his current loan spell with the county.

Coetzer was signed on an initial one-month loan from Durham to provide further depth to the Northants batting order and quickly established his place in the side.

The right-hander has scored 122 runs in his three LV= County Championship appearances for his new side and is looking forward to joining them on a permanent basis next year.

"I'm delighted to have signed with Northants and I'm looking forward to working alongside David and the rest of the staff here," said the 27-year-old.

"I have been made to feel very welcome and I hope together we can push forward during this new phase of my career, and help Northants achieve their ambitions."

He joins out of contract players Jack Brooks, Niall O'Brien and Chaminda Vaas in agreeing to a new deal starting from the 2012 season.

A Scotland international, Coetzer represented his country during this year's Clydesdale Bank 40 where he hit 122 as they beat Northants in Edinburgh.

He followed that with 54 not out in his only CB40 outing for the Steelbacks as they ended the limited overs tournament with a win over Warwickshire Bears at Edgbaston last week.

Head coach David Capel said: "We have witnessed at first hand what Kyle can do with the bat for and against us. He's a good fielder too and his work ethic is at a high level. I think Kyle will prove to be a very good addition to our squad."

The team are without a game this week and will no doubt be nervously keeping an eye on how Middlesex and Surrey get on as the Division Two promotion race goes down to the wire.

Last week's 333 run defeat at home to Surrey ensured that it will go down to next week's final round of County Championship games to decide who will be playing in the first division.

Middlesex, who now lead the way thanks to a crushing victory at home to Leicestershire last week, are currently playing at Glamorgan, while Surrey are away to Essex.

Meanwhile, Capel is preparing his squad to face Gloucestershire at the County Ground, starting on Monday, where they know they cannot afford any slip ups.

The main concern is whether or not Stephen Peters will have recovered from his back injury in time to play.

The opener suffered it fielding during last week's match against Surrey and was unable to bat in either the first or the second innings.

Lee hopes Town have hit turning point

FOOTBALL

IT WAS Iain Dowie who famously coined the phrase 'bouncebackability' and Northampton Town showed that they have got it as they came from two goals down to rescue a point at Southend United last Saturday.

Bilel Mohsni fired the hosts in front with a 35-yard strike in the first half and Ryan Hall also struck from distance just before the hour. However, less than a minute later Adebayo Akinfenwa had rifled home one to get Northampton back in it.

Arron Davies then struck his second goal of the season to make it 2-2, and although the Cobblers had Nick McKoy sent off in the closing stages for picking up a second yellow card they were able to hold on to claim a share of the spoils.

"We showed a lot of character there," said assistant manager Dave Lee, who took charge of the team due to boss Gary Johnson being ill.

"We were 2-0 down and scored two excellent goals. There's a lot of resilience in that dressing room, they've proved to everyone that they have got it and this could be the turning point for us.

"Sometimes when you're 2-0 down you play with no fear – you've got nothing to lose, you have a go at teams and I spoke to Bayo in the dressing room and he said if it had been 1-0 he might have not done it.

"But it was 2-0, he hit it and we've just gone on from there."

Johnson is expected back to lead the team on Saturday against Torquay United at Sixfields as they go looking to add to their only League Two win of the season. That came away to Aldershot Town in their second game. The draw at Southend ended a slide which had seen the Cobblers suffer three consecutive losses in the league since that win, although Lee was quick to point out that it was nothing to do with who happened to be in the dugout on the day.

He said: "It's nothing to do with me – I don't play, I just prepare them as best as I can. The 13 or 14 lads that go on the park every week are the ones that it is down to. Obviously, Gary is the manager and if we have some success he takes it, and if we don't then he has to deal with it. But at the end of the day it's down to everyone. It's not down to me or Gary on certain days, it's down to everyone connected with Northampton Town Football Club."

The visit of Torquay is followed four days later by a trip to promoted AFC Wimbledon – both of whom find themselves sitting in the play-off places in the early season standings.

And after fighting back to earn a point at Roots Hall, Lee is now looking for the side to push on and secure three points as they bid to climb the table and join their upcoming opponents amongst the early season frontrunners.

Lee said: "We try and win every football game, we aren't going to come here and settle for a draw. Even at 2-2 we want to win it, but that's the sort of players we have got in there – they don't know when they are beaten. We haven't had a great deal of luck so far this season, but we had a little bit today and hopefully now we can push on this Saturday. It would nice to be in front in one of the games though. The last game we won was Aldershot when we went one up early and you've got something to hang onto. It's important to score the first goal."

FORMULA ONE

ADRIAN Sutil is hoping to rekindle some good memories at Monza on Sunday as he returns to the circuit where he scored what so far has been his career-best Formula One finish.

The Force India driver came home fourth in the Italian Grand Prix two years ago, having qualified second, as well as setting the fastest lap of the race. Sutil comes into this race having scored points finishes in four of the last seven Grand Prix, including a seventh place last time out in Hungary. He Sutil said: "I think our car is more consistent on all tracks rather than just being strong on the quick circuits. Also, because everyone is now using DRS and KERS, the advantage of our straight-line speed is not so significant. It's still a fast car, but we were seventh in Hungary on a high downforce circuit and got the same result in Spa on a low downforce circuit. So it's a very consistent car now and I expect a good race at Monza."

"It's going to be another close midfield fight but I believe we can come away with some points."

Reeve planning a swap of divisions

BOXING

NATHAN Reeve is planning to join a small group of British fighters by dropping down to super flyweight ahead of his first outing of the new boxing season.

Just eight active UK boxers are listed in the division by BoxRec.com, while the British title has not been contested since Lee Haskins outpointed Don Broadhurst in 2009.

The move down looks set to open up plenty of opportunities for Northampton's Reeve, including a possible appearance in the planned Prizefighter super flyweight tournament.

Promoter PJ Rowson is also eyeing a title shot for his young prospect towards the end of next year, but the former Far Cotton Boys amateur is aware that the smaller pool of boxers at that level means he will have to progress quicker than before.

"Some people say it's quite lucky and it is in a way, but I've got to take on more responsibility and learn quicker as well because, if I'm going to get to the top quicker, then I'm going to have to be progressing just as much," he said.

"I've actually made the weight before. When I fought Delroy Spencer I weighed in the week before the fight at eight stone three on the Sunday morning, before I had my breakfast or anything.

"I know I can make the weight, especially the day before weigh in, but I'm not going to kill myself to do it just yet because it is really hard with the diet and training you have to put in.

"It's something I can do and I'm comfortable, I still feel really strong at that weight and there's no reason I shouldn't go for it."

Reeve returns to the ring for the fifth fight of his pro career on Saturday, October 8, at Walsall Town Hall, on the undercard of Lee Glover's International Masters featherweight title defence against Dai Davies.

It will come just over a year since the 21-year-old made his debut with a second round stoppage of Nicolae Mitica, and he feels that he is a much improved boxer.

Reeve said: "This week I had my brain scan, medical and blood tests, and I was saying that I can't believe it has been a year since I had them done. It has just gone so quickly, but in that time I have made such an improvement. It's just knowledge of the game and the pace is much changed.

"When I was an amateur I used to go all out every round and used to blow myself out.

"I've learnt the pace more, adapting to three minute rounds is different and you need to fight at that pace, but it is working nicely so far."

His next contest will be only the second time Reeve has fought outside of his home town in his fledgling paid career, having previously faced Delroy Spencer in Bath last November.

'Cotton Boy' is keen to get out on the road more though, and with his promoter and trainer wanting to keep him busy he is set to get plenty of chances to do that.

"It gets your face about and gets you recognised," said Reeve.

"I know a few of the fighters up there [in Walsall] because I train up there and I know a couple of people, but it would be nice to get somewhere else in the country and show other people what I can do. When I boxed in Bath I had people add me on Facebook that were from that area and now they're following my boxing career. If you go to different places and impress people then you're going to get more people following and more support."

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Pumas will need more than Hart to beat England

DYLAN Hartley is predicting England will come up against a physical and feisty Argentina side when they open their Rugby World Cup account on Sunday, but has said that passion won't be enough for victory.

The Northampton Saints skipper could never be labelled a shrinking violet and plans to match the intensity of his opponents, but believes that the Red Rose have the superior ability to brush aside the South American nation.

"No one goes onto the field who isn't passionate about the game, especially in the World Cup," the 25-year-old said. "But perhaps Argentina show it in a different way. We're just as passionate as they are, but passion isn't always enough to win games – you need to be skilful, you need to be physical, and hopefully on Saturday night we'll show that."

The match in the city of Dunedin's Otago Stadium will be where England play their first three matches before switching to Auckland next month to face Scotland.

After arriving over a week ago, the hooker has said that he and his team-mates are now raring to go with minds focused on Argentina.

"They're a difficult team to play against," said Hartley. "Traditionally they are physical, passionate and large men and it will be a big test for us this weekend.

"But trust me, we'll be up for it, the last few days in training have been fairly physical. It's our first week of full training since we've been here and we need to concentrate on the task in hand."

Hartley yesterday bought his first ever car while out in New Zealand – a mint condition 1963 Vauxhall Victor – which he plans to drive to help him unwind in between matches and training.

He said: "It's the first weekend and I think it's important to be fairly focused on the task ahead. Just as important, when we're not training, it is so important to get away from this place, go out, see things and keep yourself fresh because it can end up a bit like Big Brother if you're stuck in the hotel all the time. You need to experience the culture of New Zealand and really buy into it."

■ Ashton raring to go – full story on p.58

PREPARED FOR BATTLE: Phil Dowson picture by Andy Kearns

Dowson vows 'we'll fight for our lives' at the Stoop

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PHIL Dowson is well aware of how tough tomorrow night's Aviva Premiership encounter with Harlequins could be for Northampton Saints, particularly after their dogged win at the Stoop last season.

Tries from Chris Ashton and Dylan Hartley, plus a last gasp try saving tackle on Joe Marler from Ben Foden, helped Northampton secure a 20-16 win over Quins this time last year – their first at the venue for six years.

The memories of that day are still fresh in the mind for Dowson, and after his side held on for a 26-24 win over Gloucester in last Sunday's Premiership opener he is in no doubt that they will have to battle just as hard again.

The influential back row said: "My abiding memory of the away game last year was how hard we had to work to get anything out of the game.

"It was scrappy, it was ugly and we got one try from Ashy which was a hack through. We kicked our goals, Ben Foden made numerous try saving tackles and it's a really tough place to go and play.

"They fight for their lives down there, as we do here, and we know it is a massive challenge. We get one shot in the Premiership to go down there and have a go, and we'll give it everything."

Ashton, Foden and Hartley, along with Courtney Lawes and Tom Wood, are all currently in New Zealand for the Rugby World Cup, and will be sleeping soundly ahead of England's opener against Argentina on Saturday when their club side kick off on Friday.

And while the Saints are without eight players, Harlequins are missing just three to international call-ups with Tomas Vallejos, Nick Easter and

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